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## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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## NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application entitled

## HYBRID MALE COUPLER PORTION FOR A FRONT-END LOADER

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## 1. Type of Application

☒ Original (non-provisional)

## 2. Required Papers Enclosed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular):

13	Pages of specification
3	Pages of claims
1	Page of Abstract
7	Sheets of Informal Drawings (Figures 1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3, 3A, 4-6)

## 3. Declaration or oath

☐ Enclosed

## 4. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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## 5. Assignment

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## 6. Information Disclosure Statement

☒ Enclosed      ☒ Form 1449 PTO      ☐ References
7. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status (see 37 CFR 1.27).

## 8. Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)

CLAIMS AS FILED				
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TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	10 - 20 =	0	x \$ 09	= \$00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	2 - 3 =	0	x \$ 43	= \$00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (IF APPLICABLE) (37 CFR 1.16(d))		ANY -- 0	\$ 290	= \$0
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))				\$385
TOTAL =				(SMALL) \$ 385

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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the following fees or credit any overpayment during the entire pendency of this application to **Deposit Account No. 06-0308**.
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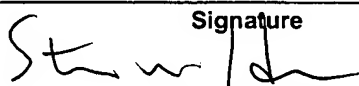


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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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Title

HYBRID MALE COUPLER PORTION FOR A  
FRONT-END LOADER

Attorney Docket Number

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